

SRI A. R. BADARINARAYANA.—Why does the hon. member think that grants to composite junior colleges will not be paid. If there is any such complaint in Belgaum I will look into it.

MADAM SPEAKER.—Next calling attention notice by hon. Member Sri Gopinath R. Sandra.

(iii) re: *Recovery of Local Fund Arrears in Dharwar District.*

SRI GOPINATH R. SANDRA (Hubli-Rural).—I call the attention of the Hon. Minister for Revenue to the recovery of local fund arrears in Dharwar District.

SRI N. HUTCHAMASTI GOWDA (Minister for Revenue).—I state as follows: The Hon'ble Member has alleged that there is harrassment in collecting the dues of local fund which are in arrears for the last five years in Dharwar District in General and in Hubli Taluk in particular.

No coercive measure has been adopted in any case to collect the arrears of local fund in Dharwar District. This applies to Hubli Taluk also. Even demand notices have not been issued. Recovery was made where the amount was paid smoothly without resort to coercive measures. No instances of causing harassment to the agriculturists have come to the notice of Government.

The Rules for suspension and remission of land revenue are prescribed in Government Notification No. RDF 9 TRM 66, dated 15th April 1968. In accordance with these Rules, remission of land revenue is being granted by the Government and suspension of land revenue is being sanctioned by the concerned Deputy Commissioners to whom powers have been delegated in that respect.

As there was no specified provision in the Mysore Land Revenue Act, 1964 and Rules thereunder as to the remission of cesses following remission of land revenue, the opinion of the Department of Law and Parliamentary Affairs was sought in the matter. That Department has recorded its opinion as follows :—

“ That expression ‘land Revenue’ is not defined under Section 2 of the M. L. R. Act (Act No. 12 of 1964, but reference is made to the definition ‘land revenue’ given under Sec. 60 (b) of the Act. Apparently, the definition is given under Chapter VI of the Act and the definition is limited for purposes of revenue jurisdiction. The expression ‘land revenue’ is defined under clause (b) to include any tax, cess, rate or other impost payable under the provisions of any law for the time being in force and such moneys due to the Government on account of such cesses, etc., are treated as ‘land revenue’ for the purpose of collection. It is clear

from the provisions contained in the Act that such cesses are not part of land revenue though they are recoverable as land revenue.

All that Sec. 194 contemplates is the remission of land revenue in whole or in part as may be Specified in such notification. Remission implies the liability to pay, but the authority empowered to recover, such debt or money refrains to do so for reasons specified in Sec. 194. It follows, therefore, that remission of land revenue would not necessarily imply remission of other cesses liable to be recovered under the provisions of any law in force. There appears to be no provision under the L. R. Act for remission of such cesses imposed under the provisions of any other law in force”

As opined by the Law Department, instructions were issued to the Divisional Commissioners and the Deputy Commissioners intimating that there is no provision for remission of cesses and that, in future, while, submitting remission proposals to Government for approval, cesses are not to be included.

Divisional Commissioners were again requested in Government letter No. RDN 31 TRM 71, dated 8th June 1971 to issue suitable instructions to the Deputy Commissioners to restrict their suspension orders to land revenue (excluding cesses) and to exclude cesses while submitting their proposals to Government for remission of land revenue.

The Divisional Commissioner, Belgaum, wanted clarification as to whether the Government Order dated 8th June 1971 will have to be given effect to from the year 1971 or 1972 or whether the cesses on land revenue suspended or remitted in the past may have to be put down for recovery. On this, the Department of Law and Parliamentary Affairs was again consulted. The views expressed by that Department are as follows :—

“This Department has already furnished opinion that the cess is not part of the land revenue, though cesses are recovered as land revenue and there is no provision under the Land Revenue Act for remission of such cesses imposed under the provisions of any other law in force. In view of the opinion furnished by this Department that there is no provision in the Land Revenue Act for remission of cesses imposed under the provisions of any other law in force, the cess payable for the years during which there have been remission of land revenue will have to be collected. As already opined, cesses not part of the land revenue, though they are recovered as land revenue.”

On the above opinion of the Law Department the Divisional Commissioner, Belgaum was informed in Government letter No. RDN 57 TRM 71, dated 22nd February 1972, that cesses payable for the years during which there had been remission of land revenue would have to

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be collected as arrears and that necessary instructions might be given to all the Deputy Commissioners in this regard. The other Divisional Commissioners were also informed of the position. Accordingly, the Revenue authorities are taking action to recover the arrears of cesses.

ಶ್ರೀ ಗೋಪಿನಾಥ್ ಆರ್. ಸಾಂದ್ರ.—ಈಗ ಐದು ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಲೋಕಲ್ ಸೆಸ್ ಫಂಡನ್ನು ಒಮ್ಮೆಲೇ ವಸೂಲುಮಾಡುವುದು ಅನ್ಯಾಯವಲ್ಲವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಹುಚ್ಚಮಾಸ್ತಿಗೌಡ.—ಐದು ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಬಾಕಿಯನ್ನು ಒಮ್ಮೆಲೇ ವಸೂಲು ಮಾಡುವ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಏನೂ ಕೈಗೊಂಡಿಲ್ಲ. ಹಿಂದೆ ಕೆಲವು ಸಂದರ್ಭಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕವಾಗಿ ಉತ್ತರ ಹೇಳುವಾಗ ಈಗ ಹಳೆಯ ವರ್ಷದ ಹಾಗೂ ಹಿಂದಿನ ವರ್ಷದ ಬಾಕಿ ಮಾತ್ರ ವಸೂಲು ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದೆ. ಆ ವರ್ಷದ ಕಂದಾಯ ಮತ್ತು ಹಿಂದಿನ ವರ್ಷದ ಕಂದಾಯ ಅದರ ಜೊತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸೆಸ್ ವಸೂಲುಮಾಡುವ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಇದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಗೋಪಿನಾಥ್ ಆರ್. ಸಾಂದ್ರ.—5 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಕಂದಾಯ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ವಸೂಲು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದರೆ ಅದನ್ನು ಮುಂದಿನ ವರ್ಷದ ಲೆಕ್ಕಕ್ಕೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಹುಚ್ಚಮಾಸ್ತಿಗೌಡ.—ವಸೂಲಾಗಿರುವ ಕಂದಾಯ ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆ. ಮುಂದೆ ವಸೂಲುಮಾಡುವುದರಲ್ಲಿ ಆ ವಿನಾಯಿತಿ ತೋರಿಬಹುದು.

Students' Strikes at Belgaum.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಣಂದೂರು ಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ (ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳಿ).—ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ಶುಲ್ಕವನ್ನು ಅಧಿಕ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಗಮನ ಸೆಳೆಯುವ ನೂಟನೆಯನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಇವತ್ತಿನ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಬೆಳಗಾಂವಲ್ಲಿ ಐದು ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳು ಮುಷ್ಕರವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಮಾಡಿವೆ. ಅಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಬಾಸಗೀ ಕಾಲೇಜಿನವರು ಅಧಿಕ ಶುಲ್ಕವನ್ನು ವಸೂಲುಮಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಚಳುವಳಿ ಯನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಇದರಿಂದ ರಾಜ್ಯಾದ್ಯಂತ ಚಳುವಳಿ ನಡೆಯುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಿದ್ಧತೆ ಗಳು ಆಗುತ್ತಿವೆ. ಇಷ್ಟಾದರೂ ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಎಚ್ಚರಿಕೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳದೆ ಅವರಿಗೆ ನೂಕು ತಿಳುವಳಿಕೆಯನ್ನೂ ಕೊಡದೇ ಇರುವುದರಿಂದ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಚಳುವಳಿಕೊಡಲು ಪರೋಕ್ಷವಾಗಿ ಪ್ರಚೋದನೆಗೆ ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಡಬಾರದೆಂದು ನಾನು ವಿದ್ಯಾಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೇಳಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ತಮ್ಮ ಕಾರ್ ಅಟೆನ್ಷನ್ ನೋಟೀಸನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸಿಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ಉತ್ತರ ಬಂದಾಗ ಅದನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಣಂದೂರು ಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ.—ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಚಳುವಳಿ ಇವತ್ತು ಬೆಳಗಾಂವಲ್ಲಿ ಆಗಿದೆ. ನಾಳೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ಆಗಬಹುದು. ಮೊನ್ನೆ ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯಿತು.

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ತಾವು ಪೇಪರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಡಿರುವುದನ್ನೆಲ್ಲಾ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಎಲ್ಲ ನೋಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ? ಆದಷ್ಟು ಜಾಗೃತಿಯಾಗಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಕಾರ್ ಅಟೆನ್ಷನ್ ನೋಟೀಸನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಣಂದೂರು ಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ.—ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಆ ಬಾಸಗೀ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳವರ ಮೇಲೆ ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ ಕಂಟ್ರೋಲ್ ಇಟ್ಟುಕೊಳ್ಳಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳಿಗಿಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಗೆ ಬಾಸಗೀ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಶುಲ್ಕವನ್ನು ವಸೂಲುಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದರೂ, ಅದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ತೀವ್ರ ಚಳುವಳಿಯನ್ನು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದರೂ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಆ ವಿಚಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವ ಒಂದು ತೀವ್ರವಾದ ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದು ಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕೋ ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಫಲರಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ.